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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 142

Part B for Sept. 1924

SUBJECT

Retirement of Dr. S. Krishnaswamiengar

Professor.

To.

The Comptroller, Mysore Govt.
The Registrar, Mysore University
Rc 581-2 dy 4/9/24

Sanctions the retirement of Dr. S. Krishnaswamiengar from 1st Nov. 1924.

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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1	From Rao Sahib Dr. S. Krishnaswamiengar, Professor, Mysore University, letter dt 14.8.24. Requests that the Comptroller may be directed to do the needful regarding his retirement from the 1st Nov. 1924. Submitted with a formal draft G.O. for approval or other orders. Put up 20.8.24. 21.8.24 (Ch Secy) (Secretary)
2	G.O. No 581-2 dt 4.9.24 Sanctions the retirement from 1st Nov 24.
	D.O. No 583 dt 4.9.24 forwarding copy to Dr. S. Krishnaswamiengar.

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Sri Venkatesa Vilas,
Nadu street,
Mylapore, Madras.
17th Aug.1924.

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Dear sir,

In continuation of my letter acknowledging receipt of your D.O.No.2621/C.B.69-23-6 dated 9th Feb.1924 intimating to me that "Government after considering all circumstances of the case, have decided to permit you as a special case, to retire from the Mysore service on which the loan of your service to the Madras University terminates that is from the 1st of November 1924", I am writing this to request the favour of your directing the Controller to do the needful regarding my retirement as from the 1st of November next. I expect, I shall have to get formal orders of Government before I can communicate with the Controller, or request his good offices in the matter.

I am enclosing for your information printed copy of a memorandum of my services and a copy of a report of my 9 years of work with the Madras University which I submitted to the University in the hope that it may be of some use in this connection.

Requesting the favour of early orders in regard to the matter,

Yours sincerely,

S. Krishnaswami Aiyangar

To

K.Mathan Esqr.,
Chief Secy.to Govt.of Mysore.

MEMORANDUM

of Service, etc. of

DR. S. KRISHNASWAMI AIYANGAR,

Professor, Mysore Education Service,
and
Professor of Indian History and Archæology,
University of Madras: 1914—1924.

Age. 53.

1893. Graduated from, and entered Mysore Education Department in, the Central College, Bangalore.

1899. Took the M. A. Degree.

1893—1900. Served as Assistant-master in the Central College and Science Assistant in the High Schools in Chikmagalur and Kolar.

1901—1908. Assistant, Central College and Lecturer in History.

1908—1910. Lecturer in English, Central College.

1910—1913. Assistant to the Inspector-General of Education in Mysore, with the late Mr Weir as Inspector-General from September 1910 to July 1911, directly under the Member of Council in charge of the portfolio from August 1911 to July 1912, and with Mr. M. Shama Rao as Inspector-General from July 1912 to July 1913.

1913-1914. Professor of English, Central College, Bangalore.

Since Nov. 1, 1914, Professor of Indian History and Archæology, University of Madras.

1903. Elected Member of the Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland.

1904. Elected Member of the Royal Historical Society.

1907. Nominated Member of the Board of Studies in History and Economics at the University, and have continued since.

1908—1920. Member, Board of Examiners in History and Economics, Madras University.

1908—1916. Foundation Member, Secretary and Editor of Journal, Mythic Society.

1908. Elected President of the South Indian Association.

1915—1918. Secretary, Madras Economic Association.

1917. Title of 'Rao Sahib' conferred by the Government of India.

1917. Fellow of the Mysore University, has continued to be Fellow except for a break of one year; also Member, Boards of Studies in History and Tamil.

1917. Inaugurated the Mysore University Extension Lectures by delivering a course of lectures on Vijayanagar, as Honorary Lecturer.

1919. President, History Section, First Oriental Conference.

1919. Nominated Reader, Calcutta University.

1920. Delivered another course of lectures for the Mysore University on South India and her Muhammadan Invaders.

1921. Calcutta University conferred Honorary Ph. D.

1921. Honorary Correspondent of the Archæological Department of the Government of India.

1922. Elected Joint Secretary, Second Oriental Conference at Calcutta.

1923 Jan. Joint Editor, Indian Antiquary, and Member, Editorial Board, Journal of Indian History; Contributor to Vol. III, Cambridge History of India.

1924. Honorary Secretary, Indian Historical Records Commission, Madras.

1924. Honorary Secretary, University Organising Committee; Third Session; All-India Oriental Conference, Madras.

MEMORANDUM

of work, etc., of

DR. S. KRISHNASWAMI AIYANGAR

Professor, Madras University, 1914—1923.

Ever since taking charge of the Professorship of Indian History and Archæology at the University of Madras my work could be considered under three heads :—

i. Lectures to University Students.

ii. Training and Supervision of Research Students.

iii. Research Work and Publications.

1. Under the first head, I have been delivering one course every year, of "Ordinary Lectures" for the benefit of the Honours students of the University on various periods of Indian History. These were generally advanced lectures, and could appeal only to special students, and post-graduate workers and lecturers in the subject. I had to pitch the standard high, as I did not wish to supersede college teaching, but only to supplement it.

2. In regard to the second, the University have so far sanctioned five students for this subject in all. One of them dropped away after about a year of work with me. Two of them have worked out their full term, and got their release from the University after doing satisfactory work. The first of these Mr. A. Rangaswami Sarasvati, B.A., worked on the History of Vijayanagar; and his work, the collection of historical information from literature, mainly Sanskrit and Telugu, has been published under my editorship as the "Madras University Historical Series No. I," **Sources of Vijayanagar History.** I have been able to secure him a footing in the office of the Assistant Superintendent of Archæology for Epigraphy in Madras through the good offices of Rai Bahadur H. Krishna Sastri, Epigraphist to the Government of India, and the kindness of Sir John Marshall, Director-General of Archæology. The second student Mr. R. Sathyanatha Iyer took for his subject **"The History of the Nayaks of Madura,"** and the work is under publication as the "Historical Series II" under my editorship. He has been appointed Assistant Professor of History

in his own College, the St. Joseph's College, Trichinopoly, where he is doing very good work in Indian History. The third student is getting near the end of his term, and is actually engaged in writing out his thesis on the "**Pallavas.**" The fourth one resigned, and the fifth one has just come on for work.

3. In regard to the third, my own research work during the nine years, I delivered eight special courses of Lectures embodying the results of my own research.

All of these have been published in one form or another :—

1. **The Antiquities of Mahabalipur**—published in the *Indian Antiquary*.

2. **A Little Known Chapter of Vijayanagar History** — published in the Mythic Society's Journal and then in the form of a book.

3. **Beginnings of South Indian History**—published as a book.

4. **Early History of Vaishnavism in South India,** published by the Oxford University Press.

5. **South India and her Muhammadan Invaders** —Oxford University Press.

6. **Rajendra, the Gangaikonda Chola** — published in the "Journal of Indian History."

7. **The Origin and Early History of the Pallavas**—published in the "Journal of Indian History."

8. **"The Vakatakas and their Place in Indian History"** is in course of publication in the "Annals of the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute," Poona.

All of these were lectures that I delivered before our own University in one form or another.

Apart from these, I found occasion to publish on invitation **"A Source Book of Hindu India"** and a companion reading book to it, in a series, of which the other contributors were Prof. Stanley Lane-Poole, Archdeacon Hutton, Dr. Rushbrook Williams, and others.

I edited besides and brought out on my own account M. Jouveau-Dubrueil's book on **"Indian Architecture"** intended to form one of a series. I did not pursue it further as it did not meet with sufficient pecuniary encouragement.

A lecture delivered in Mysore on "**King Krishnadevaraya of Vijayanagar**" was also published in pamphlet form. I submitted a paper to the First Oriental Conference held in Poona in 1919. I submitted two papers which were accepted and published by the Second Oriental Conference which met in Calcutta, one on "**the Satvatas,**" and the other on the "**Tamil Texts bearing on the Mauryan Invasion of South India**" in behalf of the Madura Tamil Sangam.

I made a large number of contributions on occasions to various journals of learned societies, too numerous to mention.

I paid a visit to Penugonda on the invitation of Mr. T. Sivasankaram, then M. L. C., and wrote a pamphlet, at his special request, on the "**History and Antiquities of Penugonda,**" which was submitted to His Excellency Lord Willingdon during his visit.

I inaugurated the Extension Lectures of the newly-started Mysore University by delivering a course of lectures on Vijayanagar.

I was nominated Reader to the Calcutta University in 1919, and delivered a course of

Readership Lectures on "**Some Contributions of South India to Indian Culture**" which has been recently published by the Calcutta University.

Contributed, by invitation, **Chapter XVIII, Vol. III, of the "Cambridge History of India."**

Revised and abridged **Vincent Smith's "Students' History of India"** at the invitation of the Oxford University Press.

All these publications have received the highest appreciation from savants and scholars whose opinions are worthy of the highest consideration in this line. As merely samples I am annexing a few opinions printed and manuscript. I delivered two courses of Lectures on Vijayanagar in the Madras University, and am at work on a monograph on the subject in view to the publication of which Mr. Sewell has given up ideas of revising and reissuing his work.

By way of academical distinction, I may take occasion to mention I was appointed Section President for Ancient Indian History at the

First Oriental Conference. I was appointed Joint-Secretary of the Oriental Conference at the Calcutta session of the Conference for the organisation work of the Third Conference to meet in Madras. I was co-opted a member of the All-India Library Committee, and attended its meeting in Calcutta in 1919. I was nominated Honorary Correspondent of the Archæological Department at the instance of Sir John Marshall, Director-General of Archæology, among a select coterie of forty. I was conferred the Hony. Degree of Ph.D., among a distinguished group of twenty, by the Calcutta University, on the occasion of the visit of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales. I have been Examiner for the specially instituted M.A. Degree in Ancient Indian History and Culture both at Calcutta and Allahabad, Member of the Board of Examiners for the Ph. D., of the Calcutta University and also of the Board of Examiners for the Premchand Raichand Studentships at Calcutta, Member of the Editorial Board of the 'Journal of Indian History,' Joint Editor, with Sir Richard Temple and Mr. S. M. Edwardes, of the 'Indian Antiquary.'

EXTRACTS FROM SOME SELECT OPINIONS ON MY PUBLICATIONS.

"South India and her Muhammadan Invaders"

THE TIMES LITERARY SUPPLEMENT: 3-11-21.

Mr. Krishnaswami Ayyangar, well-known in South India for Research Work in the obscure history of his native country, is a happy example of harmonious co-operation between an Indian scholar and his British colleagues.

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The merit of Mr. Krishnaswami's work lies in his investigations into obscure points. His identification for example of the great temple Brahmastpuri with the present temple at Chidambaram, which enables him to place the obscure "Bir Dhul" of Amir Khushru, required an intimate knowledge of archaic Tamil and much travelling in the localities. Further inquiry may prove him wrong, but he

is a poor scientist who in the painful groping after historical truth claims to be infallible.

"THE PIONEER," 6-11-21 :—

We congratulate Professor Krishnaswami Ayyangar on a serious and solid contribution to the History of India.

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The Student of Indian History whether he fasten his gaze upon the north or upon the south of India, will find it impossible to ignore this very pregnant contribution to our knowledge of the middle ages.

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Prof. E. J. RAPSON, Editor, "Cambridge History of India" :—

Like your other works it is a real contribution to the study of Indian History.

DR. L D. BARNETT, of the British Museum :—

It is in my opinion a most valuable guide to the subject, and very attractive in the manner in which it presents the history of the period. I heartily congratulate you on its publication.

Prof. E. HULTZSCH, formerly Epigraphist to the Government of Madras :—

A cursory perusal showed me what advance has been made by your Researches in South Indian History, and how well you have succeeded in piecing together the stray facts which have been preserved to our time. I am specially glad to see that my notes on the Madura Sultans have been useful.

Sir RICHARD TEMPLE (Bart.), Editor, "Indian Antiquary," &c., Montreux, Switzerland, 30-1-22 :—

I am so impressed with the importance of bringing before the public the fact that there is as much history worth studying in South India as in North, that I always welcome such original work as yours, and the last book has been a great pleasure to me. I am using it as a text for an article I have written for the Indian Antiquary' on a new investigation of the migrations of Islam into Southern India, with the object of bringing out the points of your book and drawing

general attention to a hitherto obscure but important point of history in India.

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Mr. F. W. THOMAS, Librarian, India Office, London :—

It has been pleasant and instructive reading, and has considerably helped me towards something which I have long desired, namely a clear and comprehensive understanding of the general course of the history. Your exposition of how and when the Chola supremacy yielded to the Pandyas and the interrelations of these with the Hoysalas, Ganapati, etc., supplies an excellent frame-work and your accounts of the actual invasions are full and vivid, while your geographical and other discussions and materials (epigraphical and other) provide a valuable documentation.

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Your book, is, I am sure, of the kind, which is likely to be appreciated, as it deserves, by readers in Europe as well as in India.

Dr. D. S. MARGOLIOUTH, in the "English Historical Review," July 1922 :—

The process whereby Muhammadan invaders entered Southern India, the Sultanates which they established there, and the events which led to the termination of those Sultanates, constitute a subject well worthy of a monograph, and Professor Aiyangar has provided one which is likely to win general recognition as a most valuable supplement to the chronicles of India.

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In obtaining the archæological results which are embodied the author has himself had a share.

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The two hundred pages, of which this volume, apart from the appendices, consists, are very full of matter, and it is possible that some of the author's conclusions, especially in matters of geography, may be questioned. There will be no doubt that he has contributed a chapter of the greatest value to the history of Mediæval India.

Other Publications.

Prof. HULTZSCH OF HALLE, for very near 20 years Epigraphist to the Government here, in a letter dated 22-8-23 :—

I have again to thank you for a fresh volume from your pen which I have added to the other works of reference: your "Contributions of South India to Indian Culture," which will have shown Bengal scholars what a wealth of information has been and can still be gathered in the far off Tamil country and how many interesting problems are offered by Tamil literature and historical documents. Your books have done much to arrange and combine stray and fragmentary facts and to make a cosmos of the chaos which Southern history and literature used to be not very long ago chiefly owing to the absence of any chronology.

Sir RICHARD TEMPLE, Editor, " Indian Antiquary," in a letter dated the 2nd Sep. 1923 :

I am much impressed with your " Contributions of South India to Culture " and I am making a precis of it."

"THE TIMES" (Literary Supplement), 15-3-23:

(Journal of Indian History. Vol. II, Part I, Nov. 1922)

Of the articles dealing with Indian History proper Mr. Krishnaswami Aiyangar's study of the "Origin of the Pallavas" stands out by reason of his historical research and his scholarly treatment of a part of the little known story of Southern India. He shows that even in those early times, of which we can only piece together the history by reasoned conjecture, there were royal patrons of art and literature and that the religious atmosphere was as glowing as at any time during the long history of India.

"THE TIMES OF INDIA," Bombay, 14-11-23.

(Some Contributions of South India to Indian Culture.)

"Dr. Aiyangar writes with a practised hand and with the discernment of an experienced seeker after historical truth; and his lectures form a contribution of some considerable value to the growing amount of literature on Indian Anthropological studies..... The whole work is full of interest to the enquirer into the early stages of Indian culture; it will be of much value to the scholar and not without utility to the administrator."

Sir RICHARD TEMPLE in the "Indian Antiquary" for January 1924 :—

Professor Krishnaswami Aiyangar's lectures to the Calcutta University in 1920 have now been published in one volume, as "Some Contributions of South India to Indian Culture. They are so full of valuable suggestions that it is worth while to consider here the results of the studies of a ripe scholar in matters South Indian..... To myself the book is a fascinating one, and

it cannot but be of the greatest value to the students for whom the lectures were intended.

"THE JOURNAL OF INDIAN HISTORY," in October 1923, Vol. II, Part III :—

(Contributions of South India to Indian Culture.)

"A remarkably lucid exposition of cultural influence of Southern India. A most suggestive and original treatise, throwing vivid light on a most important period of our history."

S. V. & CO., MADRAS.

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 6th Sept 1924

Signed by Rao M. Venkatesa Iyengar

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Section C. B

File No. 42/24

Serial No. 2

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read—

Letter ~~No~~ dated 14th Aug 1924 from Rao Sahib Dr. S. Krishnaswamy Iyengar Professor of History (supernumerary) on foreign service ~~requesting~~ about his retirement.

Order — 5-81-2/C.B.42-24-2 dt 4/9/24

Govt direct that Rao Sahib Dr. S. Krishnaswami Iyengar be permitted as a special case to retire from the service with effect from the date on which the loan of his services to the Madras university terminates, i.e, from 1st Nov. 1924, ~~as a special case~~.

~~Order Thereon No.~~

Sec 21/8 Chief Secretary.

To The Comptroller to Govt

Registrar, Mysore university.

To ~~Govt~~ Branch

Dr. Krishnaswamy Iyengar with a C. letter.

D.O. 583/CB/Genl Dt 4/9/24

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 17th August 1924, I am desired to enclose herewith a copy of Government Order No. 581-2/C.B.42-4-2 dated 4th September 1924 regarding your retirement.

Yours sincerely,

To

Rao Saheb

Dr. S. Krishnaswami Iyengar, M.A., Ph.D.,
Sri Venkatesa Vilas, Nadu Street,
Mylapore, Madras.

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MEMORANDUM

To

The Comptroller,
Mysore Government

1. 11. 1924.

The Assistant Secretary,
Financial Department,
Genl: & Rev: Secretariat.

G.O. No. 581-2/C.B. 42-24-2 dated 4. 9. 24 directing that Rao Sahib Dr. S. Krishnaswami Iyengar be permitted as a special case to retire from 1. 11. 24.

The above order may be kindly communicated through the Financial Department.

M. Venkatarama
Asst. Comptroller
1-11-24

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[Please reply overleaf

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ROUTINE NOTES.

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To the Confol Branch,
for kindly putting up
2 copies of the G.C. in question
along with the connected file

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Book 4/11/24

Returns with 2 fair copies for signature.

N. B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

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Sent 6.11.24

To The Fin. Branch with the file & copies of G.C.

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To the Controller
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